

HONGKONG REVENUE SCANDAL BARED

An Attempt To Bribe Native Staff Of Department

ONE FOREIGNER, EIGHT CHINESE CHARGED

HONGKONG, April 2.—What is considered to have been an attempt on the part of powerful smuggling interests to bribe the entire native staff of the revenue department in order to evade the Colony's opium laws, was revealed here to-day.

The disclosure was made in the Police Court by Mr. Tim Murphy, Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence when eight men, one foreigner and seven Chinese, were charged with evading the opium laws.

The case was remanded until Saturday pending further police investigations.

The foreigner involved gave his name as Albert Randall. His nationality is unknown.—Reuter.

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